

1 **ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

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3 **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2011**

4 United States Senate,

5 Joint Committee on Printing

6 Washington, D.C.

7 The committee met, pursuant to notice, at 11:40 a.m., in Room SC-6, Capitol Building,

8 Hon. Gregg Harper, Chairman of the Committee, presiding.

9 Present: Representatives Harper, Lungren and Gonzales; Senators Schumer and

10 Alexander

11 **Chairman Harper.** A quorum is present. I call the organizational meeting of the Joint

12 Committee on Printing to order.

13 I want to thank everyone in advance for attending this meeting. I recognize Senator

14 Schumer for a motion.

15 **Senator Schumer.** As the outgoing Chairman, I move that pursuant to House Resolution

16 197 and Senate Resolution 103 Congressman Harper be elected as Chairman of the Joint

17 Committee on Printing for the 112th Congress.

18 All those in favor, say aye.

19 [A chorus of ayes.]

20 **Senator Schumer.** Opposed, nay.

21 [No response.]

22 **Senator Schumer.** The ayes have it. The motion is agreed to.

23 **Chairman Harper.** I now move that Senator Schumer be designated as the Vice
24 Chairman of the Joint Committee on Printing for the 112th Congress.

25 All those in favor, say aye.

26 [A chorus of ayes.]

27 **Chairman Harper.** All those opposed, say nay.

28 [No response.]

29 **Chairman Harper.** The ayes have it and the motion is agreed to.

30 The Chair now lays before the Committee a motion to adopt the Committee
31 rules for the Joint Committee on Printing for the 112th Congress. The rules are
32 identical to the rules of the previous Congress.

33 Is there any discussion?

34 [No response.]

35 **Chairman Harper.** The question is on the motion. All those in favor, say aye.

36 [A chorus of ayes.]

37 **Chairman Harper.** All those opposed, say nay.

38 [No response.]

39 **Chairman Harper.** The ayes have it. The motion is agreed to and the
40 Committee rules are adopted.

41 As Chairman, I want to welcome all of the members here. It is really exciting to
42 be here with Senator Schumer. I appreciate that, and the opportunity to be here.

43 **Senator Schumer.** This is one of the least exciting moments.

44 **Chairman Harper.** There you go, which makes it special.

45 [Laughter.]

46 **Chairman Harper.** We have enough excitement.

47 But I do want to say this, that the U.S. Government Printing Office was
48 established in 1860. There is a great exhibit over in the printing office that just opened
49 to celebrate their 150 years. I encourage you to go by there and see that. It is
50 certainly an important agency. We look forward to working together.

51 The oversight responsibility for the Government Printing Office and
52 dissemination of information to the public through the Federal Depository Library
53 System is vested principally in the Joint Committee on Printing. We have those things
54 that we look forward to.

55 We commend you on your 150th year and look forward to working with you as
56 we go forward. We congratulate the GPO for its proud history and service. And I
57 know everyone on this Joint Committee shares the commitment to helping its transition
58 into the future.

59 Before we close the meeting, does any other members wish to make a
60 statement?

61 [No response.]

62 **Chairman Harper.** I would like to let members know that we appreciate their
63 involvement and I believe, Senator Schumer, if it is okay with you, this meeting is
64 adjourned.

65 [Whereupon, at 11:41 a.m., the Committee was adjourned.]